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SUBJ: COTONOU-PARAKOU DELIVERY LINE WEEKLY REPORT NO 5,
PERIOD COVERED 18-24 MAY

REF A. COTONOU 656 B. COTONOU 670 C. STATE 121610

1. SITUATION IN PORT OF COTONOU

EVACUATED STOCKS AS OF

TOTAL BY TRUCK MAY 27

A. TOTAL RELIEF GOODS	254	0	11,041
I) FED SORGHUM	231	0	1,945
II) CANADIAN WHEAT FLOUR	0	0	4,934
III) CANADIAN SEMOLINA	0	0	3,580
IV) CANADIAN MILK POWDER	0	0	4
V) CARE BISCUITS	23	0	16
VI) UNICEF ICSM (MALI)			
0	0		561

B. ESSENTIAL COMMERCIAL FOODS

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I) WHEAT FLOUR	210	0	401
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II) SUGAR	355	0	1046
III) SALT	315		6643

C. AVERAGE RELIEF GOODS EVACUATED PER DAY 36

D. GENERAL MERCHANDISE EVACUATED DURING REPORTING PERIOD
1074

E. PERCENTAGE OF SUITABLE RAILCARS DEVOTED TO ESSENTIAL
FOODSTUFFS 45 PERCENT

F. ESSENTIAL FOOD ARRIVALS DURING REPORTING PERIOD - NONE

2. PARAKOU SITUATION EVACUATED STOCKS AS OF
 25 MAY

A. TOTAL GOODS	1380	1117
B. FOOD AID	360	170

ALL GOODS BOUND FOR

NIGER UNLESS OTHERWISE SPECIFIED; ALL
FIGURES IN MT UNLESS OTHERWISE SPECIFIED.

3. SHORTAGE OF RAILCARS MENTIONED REFS A AND B CAN BE ACCOUNTED
FOR BY LARGE PROPORTION (BETWEEN ONE-THIRD AND ONE-HALF) OF
ROLLING STOCK DOWN FOR REPAIRS, AND LARGE NUMBER OF RAILCARS
BEING USED AS WAREHOUSE SUBSTITUTES. SINCE RAILCARS BEING
HELD CHIEFLY BY THE GOVT FREIGHT FORWARDER, SONATRAC, AND THE
GOVT AGENCY RESPONSIBLE FOR COTTON, SONACO, LITTLE RELIEF CAN
BE EXPECTED FROM DO REGO'S PENALTY SYSTEM DESCRIBED PARA 6
REF A. NIGER INITIATIVES TO BE DISCUSSED SEPTEL MAY INCREASE
EVACUATION RATES, BUT NOT BY ENOUGH TO AFFECT GAO SHIP-
MENTS BEFORE AUG UNLESS MALIAN GRAINS ALLOTTED PRIORITY OVER
NIGER FOODSTUFFS.

4. PARAKOU SITUATION DOES NOT SEEM BAD. OCDN REPORTS AN
AVERAGE OF 12 RAILCARS SIDELINED PER DAY; PRIVATE ESTIMATES
ARE DOUBLE THAT.

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